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NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND INC.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD AT FLOCK HOUSE, BULLS, ON MONDAY 7 MARCH 1988, COMMENCING AT 4.20 P.M.

- PRESENT: Mr A McCaw, President
Messrs. K Herron, A D Lorimer, D Ward, G White,
and S Young
- In attendance: Messrs Peter Bray, Nick Wallingford and Murray Reid.
- APOLOGIES: Apologies for lateness were received from Mr Allen McCaw
- CHAIRMAN: Pending the arrival of Mr Allen McCaw, delayed due to airport closures, Mr Gavin White took the Chair.
- MINUTES: The Minutes of the Executive Meeting held 8/9 December 1987, having been circulated, were taken as read, and the Chairman authorised to sign them as a true and correct record.
- MATTERS ARISING: It was agreed to defer any decision in respect of the funding of official representation to the Australian Congress, July 1988, until the President had arrived.
- PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS: It was agreed that consideration of these matters be held over pending the arrival of the President.
- FINANCE:
1. The draft accounts, as presented by the Executive Secretary, were adopted for presentation to the Annual General Meeting, subject to final audit.
 2. Statement of cheques paid in December, 1987, January and February 1988, being cheques numbers 357558-357600 and 346891-346896, totalling \$64128.42, was approved.
 3. The Executive Secretary reported on the prolonged discussions with the Ministry concerning the 1988 Hive Levy and the Executive decided that it would finalise the 1989 levy at its July meeting.
 4. The meeting considered the Executive Secretary's revised budget for 1988 which now indicated a deficit in excess of \$21,000, and it was agreed that an application be lodged with the Trustees to fund the shortfall for the 1988 financial year.
 5. The meeting considered the list of unpaid 1987 hive levies as at the 25th February 1988, there being 10.
 6. The meeting considered the letter from McElroy Morrison concerning outstanding hive levies and it was agreed that the Association would continue with the collection of outstanding levies from Mr Bidmead.

7. The meeting considered the draft letter prepared by the Executive Secretary to the Minister concerning amendments to the 1978 Hive Levy Act, and this was approved.

8. The meeting noted advice from Apimondia that the Association's resignation had been accepted, and also noted correspondence from the Executive Secretary concerning Apimondia's claim for outstanding subscriptions.

9. The meeting noted the 1987 Conference accounts, and the Executive Secretary reported that these had been received too late for inclusion in the 1987 accounts.

EDUCATION:

1. It was agreed that the matter of visual aids be deferred until after the Planning meeting, it appearing that, because of the Association's financial situation, these would have to be deferred until 1989.

2. The Executive accepted the offer of Mr Wallingford to consider the Funding Guide to Dept. of Internal Affairs, and Directory of Philanthropic Trusts, and ascertain what funding could be available for beekeeper training.

3. The meeting noted the letter of 23 February 1988 from the Royal New Zealand Institute of Horticulture.

REPORTS:

1. The meeting endorsed the action of the President in agreeing to a further joint advertisement with the Pesticides Board.

2. Mr White reported on a letter from the Fruitgrowers Federation concerning a perceived need for a change in the political representation of New Zealand agriculture, and it was referred to the Executive for consideration and comment direct to Mr White.

3. Library Committee: Nil report

4. Apiary Advisory Committee: Nil report.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 5.43 pm for dinner and reconvened at 6.48 pm.

CHAIRMAN:

Mr Allen McCaw took the Chair.

In attendance:

Messrs E Roberts, A Matheson, MAF Advisory Officers.

MATTERS ARISING:

The President reported that he had prepared a paper for the Australian Congress and he personally will be attending the Congress, but he acknowledged that the Association was not in a financial position to make any contribution towards his costs.

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. The meeting acknowledged that they were not in a position to use Communication Trumps at this stage.
2. It was agreed that discussions relevant to the Association Newsletter be taken during the Planning Meeting.
3. It was agreed that the Editorship of the "Beekeeper", the profile document, and the brochure, all be discussed at the Planning Meeting.
4. It was agreed that exchange copies of the "Beekeeper" be arranged with Thomas J. Payne and Associates on a trial basis and also L'Abeille de France, providing their publication is available in the English language.
5. The meeting was advised that no definite proposal regarding the "N.Z. Beekeeper" had been received from the Ministry, but the matter was still under consideration.

ADVISORY:

1. It was agreed that the matter of the funding of the Advisory Service disease inspection etc. would be decided at the Planning Meeting.
2. Mr White reported that there had been no further communication from the N.Z. Meteorological Service. This matter was also due for consideration under the Industry Plan/
3. Mr Ward reported that there had been no further comment from the Department of Conservation relevant to the biocontrol of heather.
4. The meeting noted that there had been no further advice relative to the biological control of wasps.
5. The President reported on receipt of the Environmental Impact assessment by Richard Hill in relation to the biocontrol of gorse, and it was noted that this would be lodged in the library. A letter sent by the President to Dr Rainbow of MAFQual relative to further submissions on the spider mite introduction had been circulated to Executive Members.
6. The President briefly reported on developments relative to the co-ordination of apicultural research,
7. The President gave a brief review of the visit by Dr Ben Oldroyd and recorded the Association's appreciation to all those who had contributed, and in particular, Dr Denis Anderson, DSIR Auckland.

It was noted that New Zealand's internal costs were to be deducted from the \$8000 to be paid to the Australian authorities.

8. It was agreed that the matter of importation of Italian type queens be discussed at the Planning Meeting.

9. Mr Lorimer reported on the meeting of the Ruakura Apicultural Unit, the minutes of which would be available shortly.

It was noted that it was intended that the Ruakura Apicultural Advisory Committee would meet again on the Monday afternoon prior to 1988 Conference in Auckland.

10. The President gave a review of the Apicultural REsearch and ADvisory Meeting held at Invermay on 9th February, the Minutes of which had already been circulated.

11. General discussion took place relevant to the development of the bibliography of New Zealand beekeeping, and its distribution.

MARKETING:

1. It was agreed that

- a) the provision of an information and education resource;
- b) part-time executive, emphasis on marketing;
- c) marketing strategy for New Zealand

all be discussed at the Planning Meeting.

2. General discussion took place concerning the present market situation, and Mr Herron advised that he would endeavour to put out a market report shortly.

3. The meeting noted the New Zealand honey export statistics and it was agreed that the Executive Secretary ascertain if the year-to-date figures could be provided on a calendar basis.

4. The meeting noted the IHEO report and it was agreed that the Executive Secretary ascertain if this could now be sent direct to the Association via fax, and Mr Herron undertook to provide the information for the organisation relevant to the New Zealand situation.

5. The meeting noted the USDA National Honey market news and it was agreed that this be made available to members on request.

6. It was agreed that the letter from Nelson & Robertson Pty Ltd. concerning sugar, be made available to Branches.

7. The meeting noted the message from the Department of Trade and Industry concerning the Canadian Honey Council Meeting on 27th January relative to bee supplies.

8. The Executive Secretary reported that he had written to the Ministry seeking information on the Agriculture and Marketing Research Development Trust, and response had not been received. It was agreed that the Executive Secretary now write to the Minister to ascertain the information.

TRUSTS: The meeting considered, in committee, the applications for Trust Funds.

INDUSTRY PLAN: It was agreed that the matter of improved administration will be considered at the Planning Meeting.

CONFERENCE: 1. The following dates for the 1988 Elections were approved:

Nominations for Executive Committee close
5.00 p.m. 23rd May 1988

Voting papers, biographical notes will be
despatched by 1st June, 1988

Voting papers to be returned by 5.00 p.m.
on Friday 24th June, 1988

Counting of votes to take place Monday, 27th
June, 1988.

2. The Annual Report was approved for distribution
to the members.

3. The meeting noted correspondence from McElroy
Morrison concerning alterations to the rules
to provide for Associate Members, it being
noted that it was not intended to provide
this form of membership for individuals.

4. Mr Ward sought guidance from the meeting
as to the topic for Dr Guilia Giordani's paper
for presentation to 1988 Conference, and it
was agreed that this be on "Closed Circuit
Breeding". It was noted that the Association
had already funded the additional costs relative
to her travel, and would be meeting her hotel
costs.

GENERAL: Members noted that the amended statistics
form had already been circulated.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday and Wednesday 3rd and 4th May, 1988

CLOSURE: The meeting concluded at 11.16 pm.

CHAIRMAN: _____

_____: DATE

MAY 88

NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND INC

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE
PORK INDUSTRY BOARD BOARD ROOM, DALMUIR HOUSE, 114 THE TERRACE,
WELLINGTON, ON TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, MAY 3/4 1988 COMMENCING
AT 9.50 A.M. ON THE TUESDAY

PRESENT: Mr A McCaw, President, in the Chair
Messrs K. Herron, A D Lorimer, D Ward,
G White, and S Young

In attendance: for the Wednesday, Mr G M Reid, Senior
Apicultural Officer

for part of the meeting on the Wednesday
morning, Mr Mike Stuckey

APOLOGIES Nil

MINUTES: The Minutes of the Executive Meeting
held 7 March 1988, having been circulated,
were taken as read, and the Chairman
authorised to sign them as a true and
correct record.

The In Committee Minutes of 7 March
were also taken as read and the Chairman
authorised to sign them as a true and
correct record.

MATTERS ARISING: Nil.

MARKETING: The Executive Secretary reported that
he had discussed with the Manager (Marketing)
of the NZ Pork Industry Board, the proposals
contained in Peter Bray's paper which
had been considered at Flock House.
He then read to the meeting Ms Henshall's
comments in response. It was agreed
that the President would ascertain whether
Mr Bray was prepared to have further
discussions with the Manager (Marketing)
with the ultimate purpose of producing
a report for Conference to consider
expenditure as outlined in the report.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10.12 a.m.
and re-convened at 11.19 a.m. to enable
the President and Executive Secretary
to meet with the Minister of Agriculture
and Fisheries to discuss the Association's
joint proposal with the Ministry relative
to the funding for Apiary Registration
and Bee Disease Inspection Services
in New Zealand.

ADVISORY. 1. Following the reconvening of the
meeting the President indicated that
in his, and the Executive Secretary's
opinion, the Minister had not been briefed
on the proposal and it appeared, in
fact, that he had not even read the
proposal, and, although acknowledging
that it had a certain logic, he was
not prepared to give any decisions at
this stage but would review the situation
with his advisers.

The Under Secretary had, in fact, proposed an alternative arrangement similar to that which had been presented in 1986 but which had not been pursued because of Parliamentary Counsel opinion.

At no stage of the meeting did the Ministry officials indicate to the Minister that this was, in fact, a joint proposal.

It was agreed that the matter be further discussed when Mr Reid was present.

MARKETING:

2. Mr Herron indicated that he had not prepared a Crop and Market Report, and gave a general review of the information available, and undertook to produce a report at the earliest possible time.

3. The meeting was advised that the Statistics Department had agreed to change the N.Z. Honey Export statistics year to date to a calendar year.

4. The meeting noted the USDA National Honey marketing News Statistics and information.

5. The meeting noted that the IHEO was now sending information direct to the Executive Secretary, but New Zealand information was still being provided by Mr Ecroyd. It was agreed that the Executive convene a meeting in Auckland at 9 a.m. on Monday 11 July to discuss the availability of information from New Zealand for the IHEO circular. Those to be invited to include representatives from -

Wilson Neill	Waitemata Honey
Honey Co-op.	Airborne Honey
Kintail Honey	Greenvale Apiaries
Arataki Honey	Crown International
Ceracell Products	

6. The meeting considered the information supplied by the Agriculture and Marketing Research and Development Trust and it was agreed that the President and Executive Secretary make further enquiries as to the types of proposal that the Association might submit for consideration.

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:

1. The meeting considered the proposal received from Mr Matheson with respect to the preparation of a Newsletter on a monthly basis (11 issues) and the following day Mr Reid tabled a sample of the publication currently being prepared for the Waikato Asparagus Growers Association.

It was agreed that an urgent submission be made to the Trustees for funding and that, in the meantime, Mr Matheson be thanked for his contribution and that, following response from the Trustees, the matter be reviewed at the July meeting.

2. The meeting was advised that there had been no further developments in respect of a proposal from the Ministry to edit the "Beekeeper".

The meeting noted a quotation from Mr G Watson relative to editorship of the "Beekeeper" and it was agreed that no changes be made in regard to the present arrangements, and therefore the proposal be declined.

3. The meeting considered the draft profile document prepared by Messrs Matheson and Wallingford, together with the revised estimates of production, and it was agreed that the request to the Trustees be revised accordingly.

The Association again recorded its appreciation to those involved.

4. Following general discussion concerning aspects of the journal, it was agreed that a journal committee, comprising Messrs Ward and Ted Roberts (subject to his acceptance) be set up to act as a post advisory committee.

5. The Promotions Committee was requested to draw to the attention of either the editor or the commission agent the incorrect pricing of the recipe cards on the advertisement in the "Beekeeper".

FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. The meeting was advised that a report on Improved Branch Administration (Goal F, Objective 1) was still under action and consideration.

2. Accounts paid for March and April 1988 were approved, being cheques nos. 346897 to 346900 and 357601 to 357646, totalling \$41234.78.

The Executive Secretary reported that he had written to Coopers & Lybrand seeking comment in respect of the increasing audit fee.

3. The meeting again reviewed the 1988 budget as revised at 22 February 1988, and the Executive agreed that, at this stage, no cost savings could be expected, although expenditure should be under constant review. It was acknowledged that an increase in income was the basic requirement to solve the Association's anticipated future financial problems.

4. The Executive Secretary reported that no response had, as yet, been received from Apimondia concerning the "outstanding" subscriptions.

5. The meeting was advised that the level of outstanding hive levies for 1987 was 11 unpaid hive levies.

The list of unpaid 1988 hive levies having been tabled by the Executive Secretary, it was agreed that Executive members would give this consideration and report any advices to the Executive Secretary.

6. At this stage of the meeting the Executive had discussions with Ms Marie Taylor of the Ministry MAFQual, relative to the Under Secretary's letter of 28th April concerning changes to the Hive Levy Act. It was agreed, following these discussions, that the Executive Secretary would respond to the Minister's letter in consultation with the Ministry.

ADVISORY

1. Contd.
General discussion also took place relative to the Association's submission and discussions with the Minister earlier in the day.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

7. The Executive Secretary reported on discussions with Mr Wallingford concerning the establishment of a database and the proposals outlined were not unacceptable to the Association.

ADVISORY

2. Mr White reported that there had been no further developments relative to the forecasting information for use to beekeepers.

3. There being no further developments relative to the biocontrol of heather, it was agreed that this item be deleted from future agenda papers.

4. The meeting was advised that the DSIR were currently making parasite packages available at \$275, i.e. for the biological control of German and common wasps.

5. The meeting noted correspondence from the acting National Manager, Quarantine Border Control, and it was agreed that the Association proceed with the reprint of the cards, and Mr White undertook to action this.

6. The Executive Secretary reported that he had not, as yet, written to the Queen Bee Breeders Association concerning their current proposals relative to the importation of Carniolan stock.

1. Contd.
Further lengthy discussions took place relevant to the apiary registration and bee disease inspection service provided by the Ministry.

EDUCATION

1. Mr Lorimer reported that he had received a draft letter from Mr Wallingford relative to the funds available from Trusts for beekeeper training, and this would be processed shortly.

2. The meeting was advised that Telford Farm Training Institute had received three applications to commence training in May.

INDUSTRY TRUSTS

1. The meeting was advised that, as the Trustees had not yet met, a response to the applications was unavailable.

2. The meeting noted correspondence to and from the Chairman of Trustees relative to the debenture with the N.Z. Honey producers Co-op and proposed changes to their Articles and capital structure.

REPORTS

1. Pesticides Board

It was agreed that the Association nominate Mr Ian Berry as the Association's representative on the Pesticides Board.

2. The President indicated that Mr David Dobson (NZ Pork Industry Board) had agreed to represent the Association at the meeting of Federated Farmers being held on Wednesday 4 May to discuss the possibility of closer working relationships in matters of mutual interest and to explore the concept of some form of Council of Agriculture.

3. There was no report available from the Library Committee but Mr Lorimer indicated that he had equipment now available for the copying of sound tapes.

4. The meeting was advised that the Apiary Advisory Committee had not met.

INDUSTRY PLAN

1. It was noted that the date on the Industry Plan cover had incorrectly been shown as 1987/88 and this should have been 1988/89.

BRANCH MATTERS

1. The meeting noted that members had been advised relative to the 1988 Executive Committee election and copies of the roll made available to Branches and the Executive.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6.20 p.m. and reconvened at 8.30 a.m. on Wednesday 4 May.

ADVISORY

1. Cont.

Further lengthy discussion took place relative to the Apiary Registration and Bee Disease Inspection Service.

During this discussion Mr Mike Stuckey presented a proposal for funding of disease inspection and the apiary register.

GENERAL

1. The President reported on correspondence from Mr Chris Dawson concerning a suitable commemoration of the introduction of bees to New Zealand in 1839 - i.e. the 150th anniversary next year. Mr Stuckey undertook to discuss this matter with beekeepers in the Northland area.

LUNCHEON

The Executive had a working lunch with the Chairman of the Trustees, Mr David Kay, when matters of mutual interest and benefit were discussed.

CONFERENCE

1. It was agreed that an invitation be extended to the Under Secretary to open the Conference in Auckland.

2. It was agreed that Professor Guilia Giordani and Dr Denis Anderson be invited to participate in an informal seminar on the evening of Monday 11th July at the time of the social get together and that this be a complimentary function.

3. It was agreed that the Executive Secretary ascertain from special interest groups their meeting arrangements at the time of conference, being the Queen Breeders Association, The Honey Packers Association, the Pollination Association, Comb Honey Association, the NZAPA, and the Ruakura Research Committee.

4. The President sought guidance on reports to be presented to conference, and it was agreed that the following be invited:

DSIR Bee Pathology	NZAPA
MAF, Invermay	MAF AQS
MAF Apiculture	Librarian
Education, Telford	Education, Bay of Plenty
Pesticides Board	

It was agreed that the matter of Branch reporting be dispensed with during Conference, but Branches be asked to supply their delegates with details of Branch activities which could be displayed at the Conference venue by way of notice.

GENERAL

2. Messrs Kevin Goodall and Rod Lynch of the AMP Society made a presentation to the Executive on insurance.

ADVISORY

8. The meeting considered Mr Reid's report for this meeting relative to :

Staffing	Honey Export Certification
Emergency Response Procedures	Cyclone Bola
Apiary Registers	Vince Cook

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

6. Further general discussion took place relevant to the Newsletter.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

8. Mr Reid made available a response from AAOs relative to hive levy numbers and this was made available to the Executive Secretary.

ADVISORY

9. The meeting noted the report from Denis Anderson and it was agreed that the Executive members would give this consideration and report to the President with any comments.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 9.00 a.m. Sunday, 10 July 1988

at The Airways Motor Inn, Bader Drive, Mangere, Auckland

CLOSURE

The meeting concluded at 4.14 pm.

Date: _____

CHAIRMAN

JULY 88

NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND Inc.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD IN SUITE 57, THE AIRWAYS MOTOR INN, BADER DRIVE, MANGERE, ON SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, 10, 11, 12 AND 13 JULY, 1988, COMMENCING AT 9.05 A.M. ON SUNDAY 10TH JULY.

PRESENT: Mr A McCaw, President, in the Chair
Messrs K Herron, A D Lorimer, D Ward, G White
and S Young

In attendance: For part of the meeting, Mr G M Reid, Senior
Apicultural Officer

MINUTES: The Minutes of the Executive Meeting held 3/4
May, 1988, having been circulated, were taken
as read, and the Chairman authorised to sign
them as a true and correct record.

The In Committee Minutes of 3/4 May were also taken
as read and that Chairman authorised to sign
them as a true and correct record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

The President reported that the matter of recognition
of the introduction of bees to New Zealand
had now been referred to Mr Haines, and it
was anticipated he would be reporting to Conference.

CONFERENCE:

1. Life Membership

It was agreed that the Executive would recommend
Douglas Allenby Briscoe for Life Membership.

2. It was agreed reports be received from the
Library Committee, Telford Farm Training Institute,
Bay of Plenty Community College, AQS, MAF Ruakura,
MAF, Invermay, Pesticides Board, DSIR Entomology
Division, the Editor "NZ Beekeeper", DSIR Bee
Pathology and the Queen Breeders Association.

3. The Executive considered the Remits to be
placed before Conference.

4. The Executive noted late Remits from Canterbury,
Nelson and possibly the Wellington Beekeepers'
Club.

5. It was agreed that the report relative to
marketing, prepared by Peter Bray, be discussed
under Planning.

6. It was agreed that the Association would
support financially the schools competition
being run by the Auckland Branch, but only
if a surplus was available from Conference.

GENERAL:

It was agreed that as the President's paper
had been accepted for presentation to the Australasian
Conference, the Association would pay the President's
registration fee of AU\$280.

- CONFERENCE: 7. It was agreed that the Executive would meet on Tuesday following Conference at 5.30 to 6.30p.m. and again on the Wednesday, commencing 15 minutes after the conclusion of Conference, until as required.
- Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12.32 p.m. for lunch and re-convened at 1.31 p.m.
- EDUCATION:
1. The meeting was advised that letters had been sent to the various trusts specified and one response had been received. The meeting recorded thanks to Tony Lorimer and Nick Wallingford.
 2. The President reported on advice from the Bay of Plenty Community College that eight students had now completed the beekeeping course, and appropriate certificates issued.
 3. The President advised that the Telford Farm Training Institute's report to conference would be given by Mr Dickinson, and that there were currently three students taking the course for the May to May year.
- MARKETING:
1. The meeting briefly discussed Mr Bray's report to be presented to Conference.
 2. The meeting noted the Crop and Market Report No. 7.
 3. The meeting noted the USDA Honey Statistics for the 7 June 1988.
 4. The meeting noted the NZ Export Statistics until May 1988.
 5. It was agreed to suggest to the meeting of representatives in respect of IHEO information, that the Executive Secretary co-ordinate information relative to :
 - a) Stocks on a high/low/average basis;
 - b) Prices offered for export honey by country identification in New Zealand dollar terms.
 6. The Executive Secretary reported that no further action had been taken relative to the Agriculture and Marketing Research Development Trust.
 7. The meeting considered the letter from the Bay of Plenty concerning the marketing of honey and it was suggested that this be raised as part of the debate on marketing.
 8. The President reported on correspondence to and from Wilson Neill Hororata.
- ADVISORY: 1. The meeting received Mr Reid's report for Conference.
- PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:
1. It was agreed that Mr Matheson advise Conference of the Newsletter proposals, it being noted that the Trust had granted \$3000 towards the cost. The newsletter to be distributed to all

members; material to be forwarded to Mr Matheson; Mr Matheson's name to be added to the circulation list for Executive material; Mr Matheson to develop a policy statement for consideration by the Executive; the Newsletter to include a disclaimer clause. Mr Matheson to ascertain from the IHC in Tauranga their availability to act as distributors, and costs. Publication date to be 1st of the month.

2. Mr Matheson reported that the profile document was ready to be produced, with the exception of the cover.

3. Mr Matheson reported on the availability of a bibliography of New Zealand apicultural research.

4. There was no report available from the journal post advisory committee.

5. The matter of the costs of the "NZ Beekeeper" was held over.

ADVISORY:

2. The meeting discussed with Dr Denis Anderson the proposal for an Australasian and New Zealand Honeybee and Social Insect Disease Research Co-op, and, following general discussion, the executive were favourably disposed towards the concept as outlined in Dr Anderson's paper. It was agreed that the President would have discussions with Australian colleagues when attending the Australasian Congress.

Dr Anderson also indicated the scope of his report to Conference and the evening seminar.

3. The meeting considered a letter from Landcorp concerning establishment of honey bees on Landcorp property and Mr White undertook to respond to this letter.

4. General discussion took place in preparation for Conference with regard to the provision of apiary inspection by MAF.

5. Mr White reported that there had been no further response or correspondence with the Meteorological Service concerning weather forecasting.

6. Mr White undertook to prepare a review of Dr Ben Oldroyd's report for presentation to Conference, relative to the importation of Italian type queens.

7. It was agreed to await the report of Dr Donovan to Conference relative to the possible importation of one or two additional bee species into New Zealand.

8. It was noted that the Ruakura Research Committee would be meeting the following day and would be meeting with the Executive at 1.00 p.m. on Tuesday.

9. The President gave a brief review of the Invermay situation and their appointment, under contract, of a researcher.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6.30 p.m. and reconvened at 10.30 a.m. on Monday 11th July.

APOLOGY: An apology for non-attendance was received from Mr Tony Lorimer

REPORTS: 1. Pesticides Board
Mr Ian Berry indicated increased costs of the joint advertisement with the Pesticides Board and, after discussion, he agreed to ascertain if the pollination groups would meet the additional cost.

FINANCE: 1. It was agreed that the matter of improved administration be deferred for consideration at the September meeting of the Executive.

2. Accounts paid for May and June 1988, being cheques nos. 357647 - 357660 and 000661 - 000695, totalling \$39,722.21 were approved.

It was further agreed that the Association would not meet Dr Ben Oldroyd's internal costs whilst in New Zealand.

3. The meeting noted the Executive Secretary's financial statement, on a cash flow basis, to 30th June 1988, and a general discussion took place on the Association's finances.

4. Apimondia. Nil response concerning the "outstanding" subscriptions.

5. A review was undertaken of unpaid hive levies.

6. The Executive considered the Executive Secretary's paper relevant to the 1989 Hive Levy and it was agreed that this should be increased to 48c per hive, and Conference advised accordingly.

7. The President tabled a paper relative to possible amendments to the Hive Levy Act which he asked Executive members to consider, for further discussion at a later meeting.

BRANCH MATTERS: 1. The meeting considered correspondence from members living in Auckland attending the Waikato Branch, and it was agreed that, until a formal request was received from the members concerned to be included in the Waikato area, no further action should be taken.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12.15 p.m. and reconvened at 5.37 p.m. on Tuesday 12th July.

APOLOGY: An apology for absence was received from Gavin White.

FINANCE: 8. The Executive accepted the offer of Mr Tony Lorimer that he would continue to work with Mr Ted Roberts in respect of the administration booklet - Improved Branch Administration, Goal F, Objective 1.

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:

6. It was agreed that the Executive Secretary would confirm to Mr Roberts the arrangements in respect of the activities of the post-advisory committee for the journal.

7. The meeting noted the costs, supplied by the Editor, relative to an increased print run for the "NZ Beekeeper".

FINANCE: 9. The Executive Secretary reported that good progress was being made by Mr Nick Wallingford in the preparation of the new database and arrangements had been made for further discussions this week. It was hoped that completion would be achieved shortly.

10. The meeting noted that no further information had been received from the AMP Society concerning industry insurance.

11. The Executive Secretary reported that no response had been received from Coopers and Lybrand concerning the audit fee, and, after general discussion, it was agreed to recommend to the Annual General Meeting that they be re-appointed, subject to their acceptance.

12. Further general discussion took place relative to the Hive Levy for 1989 and it was re-affirmed that Conference be advised of the proposal for a 48c levy, plus G.S.T.

INDUSTRY TRUSTS:

1. The meeting noted that applications had been received from :

G Gaisford
Sunflora Apiaries
possibly Canterbury Branch

and the meeting noted also the additional funding required by Ruakura.

It was noted that the Trust financial statements had not yet been received.

REPORTS:

2. Pesticides Board

The meeting noted Mr Ian Berry's report relative to the Pesticides Board, for presentation to Conference.

3. The meeting was made aware of meetings being arranged by Federated Farmers in relation to Farming Organisations.

4. The meeting noted the Librarian's report for presentation to Conference.

5. Mr Lorimer reported that the Apiary Advisory Committee had not met since the last meeting of the Executive and he undertook to keep the Executive advised of any developments of interest to the industry.

BRANCH MATTERS:

2. It was noted that there had been no further developments concerning industry support following Cyclone Bola.

3. The meeting noted correspondence from the Waikato Branch and Auckland members and it was agreed that this was a matter for review and possible definition of Branch boundaries.

NEXT MEETING:

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Executive be held on Tuesday and Wednesday 13 and 14 September, 1988, in Wellington.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6.46 p.m. and reconvened at 6.00 p.m on Wednesday 13th July.

PRESENT:

Mr A. McCaw, President, in the Chair
Messrs. G. White, G. Martin, K. Herron, S. Young
and D. Ward

In attendance:

Mr Tony Lorimer, Mr Chris Bromell

APOLOGY:

An apology for lateness was received from Mr Dudley Ward.

MARKETING:

Mr Alan G. Rohde, Product Manager Chemical Division of Chemiplas, addressed the Executive concerning the current situation in relation to the dumping of sugar.

WELCOME:

The President extended a warm welcome to Mr Gerard Martin attending his first meeting as an Executive member.

BRANCH MATTERS:

4. Mr Bromell advised the Executive of meetings and discussions held relative to the change of name of the South Western Districts, to Southern North Island, that the Branch were obtaining legal advice and would be reviewing the matter again one month before the Branch 1989 Annual General Meeting. The President indicated that the Executive would again consider this request.

CONFERENCE OF BRANCH DELEGATES:

The Executive undertook a review of the Remits considered by Conference :

REMIT 1 and 2

LOST

REMIT 3

It was recommended that a meeting of the Marketing Committee be arranged as soon as practical.

REMIT 4,5 and 6	LOST
REMIT 7	It was agreed that advices to the Librarian from Mr Clark be circulated to the Executive but the matter be again reviewed at the September meeting.
REMIT 8	Noted.
REMIT 9 and 11	The Executive assessed the carrying of these Remits as a mandate to carry on negotiations and it was decided that the matter be again reviewed at the September meeting.
REMIT 10	LOST
REMIT 12	The Executive Secretary to place a proposal before the Minister for a 48cent Hive Levy plus G.S.T.
REMIT 13	Withdrawn
REMIT 14	The matter to be kept under review in relation to funding
REMIT 15	LOST
REMIT 16	No action to be taken meantime
REMIT 17	Mr Young to have further discussions with Mr Roberts
REMIT 18	LOST
REMIT 19	Withdrawn.
REMIT 20	The Executive Secretary to ascertain whether New Zealand Post would consider such a proposal.
REMIT 21	LOST
REMIT 22	Not accepted
REMIT 23	Not accepted
REMIT 24	To be considered in respect of future funding.

CLOSURE:

The meeting concluded at 7.16 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

DATE

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NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND INC

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE PORK INDUSTRY BOARD BOARD ROOM, 11TH FLOOR, DALMUIR HOUSE, 114 THE TERRACE, WELLINGTON, ON TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY 13TH AND 14TH SEPTEMBER 1988 COMMENCING AT 10.29 A.M.

PRESENT: Mr A McCaw, President, in the Chair
Messrs G White, K Herron, S Young, G Martin,
D Ward

APOLOGIES: Apologies for lateness were received from Messrs
Young, White and Martin

In attendance for part of the meeting :

Mr G M Reid, National Apicultural Advisory Officer
Mr E Roberts, Apicultural Advisory Officer

MINUTES: 1. The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
and Conference of Branch Delegates held on 12,
13 July 1988, having been circulated, were taken
as read and noted as a correct record.

2. The Minutes of the Executive Meeting held
10,11,12,13 July 1988, having been circulated,
were taken as read, and the Chairman authorised
to sign them as a true and correct record.

The In Committee Minutes of the meeting of the
Executive held 10-13 July 1988 were taken as
read and the Chairman authorised to sign them
as a true and correct record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. The meeting noted that the Cook Islands Bee
Club was still interested in hosting the 1990
NBA Conference, and it was agreed that this
information be made available for inclusion in
the newsletter.

ADVISORY: 1. The meeting noted the report of the National
Apicultural Advisory Officer, and items included
were :

1. Disease Inspection 88/89
2. Registration - Inspection costs
3. Queen Bees to USA
4. Queen Bee Importation
5. Chalkbrood
6. Seng To Tan
7. EFB Test
8. Fresh Royal Jelly Imports
9. Management of Restricted Zones - Cost Recovery
10. Apiaries Act Review

2. The Executive then met with Mr Peter Nelson,
Senior Field Officer for the Pest Destruction
Council, relative to the Council's programme
of 1080 poisoning to eradicate opossum, the programme
being originated by the Animal Advisory Disease
Committee. After considerable discussion, during

which Mr Nelson strongly emphasised the financing problems that the Council were experiencing with this programme, and noting the Council's powers under Section 56 of the Pest Destruction Act, it was noted that Mr Nelson would provide to the Association and all AAOs copies of Management Plans already written and proposed, and indicated that they would endeavour to consult with both AAOs and the Executive at the time of preparation of such plans.

It was also decided to request Dr Mark Goodwin of the Ruakura Apiculture Research Group, to carry out further tests to seek a bee repellent suitable to be used in opposum baits.

3. The President indicated to the meeting that he and Mr Reid would be meeting with Mr Tim Pearson of the Legal Section of MAF to discuss amendments to the Hive Levy Act in respect of the provision of apiary inspection and the register.

4. The Executive met with Mr John Halkett and John Fallett of the Department of Conservation - National Resource Management, relative to resource rentals and the representatives of the Department undertook to make the Association aware of developments through the Executive Secretary.

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The President advised the meeting that he was preparing a report to be distributed to all beekeepers by the Ministry at the time of registration, and it was noted that this would be printed by the NBA and distributed to the AAOs for posting...

5. The President advised the meeting that the matter of an Australian and New Zealand Honey and Social Insect Disease Research Co-op had not been discussed by him while at the Australian conference, because those Australians involved had not been in attendance at the conference.

It was agreed that the Executive Secretary ascertain from Dr Denis Anderson details of the research to be undertaken at Mt Albert, should this group be established.

6. It was agreed that the matter of weather forecasting information be deleted from future agendas.

7. It was noted that the Queen Breeders Association was taking the initiative in ascertaining available bee stocks within New Zealand, and ways of improving existing stocks.

8. The Executive recorded its support for MAF proposals to amend legislation to enable the Ministry to collect and retain the costs referred to in Section 45 of the Apiaries Act.

9. It was agreed that the Association would apply to the Trustees for further funding for the Ruakura Apicultural and Research Advisory Unit on the basis of the Kiwifruit Authority providing 3/5ths and the Association providing 2/5ths of the funding.

10. The meeting was advised that a response had been sent to Landcorp regarding the establishment of hives on Landcorp property.

11. Mr Reid reported on behalf of Waikato Branch that a further 300 wasp parasites had been made available by DSIR Lincoln.

CHAIRMAN:

In the absence of the President, Mr Allen McCaw, who was having discussions with the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries Legal Section, Mr Gavin White took the Chair.

MARKETING:

1. The meeting noted the report of the Marketing Sub-Committee held on Tuesday 11 August 1988 and

a) accepted the committee's concept that there was not an industry commitment to the financing of further research nor to the funding of any major promotional activity;

b) the Executive Secretary indicated that Ms Henshall, Manager (Marketing) of the Pork Industry Board, had agreed to make further enquiries relative to the Agricultural and Marketing Research and Development Trust.

c) a report had not yet been received from Mr Peter Bray in respect of the suggestion made by Mr Stuckey to the Packers Association meeting in Auckland.

d) the Executive agreed to the recommendation that the Executive Secretary should ascertain from Branches their estimate of possible total maximum New Zealand production (good/bad/years)

e) the meeting was advised that Mr Ward had written to Mr Harry Rodenberg of the American Honey Board, seeking information on their marketing activities;

f) Mr Herron indicated that a further Crop and Market Report had not been prepared, but the matter was under review.

2. The meeting noted the external trade statistics for honey as supplied by the Department of Statistics.

3. It was agreed that the Association would not renew its subscription to the N.Z. Food and Beverage Exporters Council on the basis that most exporters had independent membership.

REPORTS:

1. Pesticides Board. Nil report

2. Federated Farmers

(a) The Executive Secretary reported that a meeting of affiliated organisations would be held on Monday 3 October.

(b) Mr White reported that Federated Farmers had produced a Rural Resource Kit - Social Welfare Assistance, and it was agreed that a copy of this be provided to the Editor of "Buzzwords".

3. Apiary Advisory Committee. Nil report -

FINANCE:

1. Accounts paid for July and August 1988, being cheques nos. 000696 to 000720, and 000601 to 000609, totalling \$16347.90 were approved.
2. The meeting noted the Executive Secretary's financial statement on a cash flow basis to 31 August 1988 and general discussion took place relative to the Association's finances.
3. The Executive Secretary reported that there had been no further response from Apimondia concerning the "outstanding" subscription.
4. The meeting considered the list of unpaid hive levies as at 5 September 1988, and it was noted that registered letters had still to be sent to those people, and it was further decided that this list also be sent to Branches.

CHAIRMAN:

Mr Allen McCaw returned and resumed the Chair.

ADVISORY:

12. The President reported that following the meeting with Mr Pearson the latter had undertaken to assist the Association in the preparation of amendments to the Hive Levy Act, to take account of the proposals with reference to apiary inspection and the register.

FINANCE:

5. The meeting was made aware of progress in the establishment of the Association's database.
6. The Executive Secretary reported that Coopers and Lybrand had indicated a willingness to continue as auditors.
7. The meeting considered a proposal from Farmers Mutual for an agency arrangement and it was agreed that a copy of the Association's mailing list be made available to the company.
8. The meeting reviewed the matter of Honorary and Associate membership and it was agreed that, in addition to existing members, being all AAOs, Dr Denis Anderson, Dr Mark Goodwin and Dr Barry Donovan, that Messrs Anton ten Houten and Stephen Ogden be added to the list.

With regard to Associate Membership, it was agreed that the Executive Secretary ascertain if the following organisations would be interested in being admitted as Associate Members:

N Z Honey Packers Association
N Z Queen Breeders Association
N Z Comb Honey Association
N Z Honeydew Producers Association

General discussion took place relevant to hobbyist bee clubs and it was agreed that the Executive Secretary obtain a list of such clubs.

9. The President referred to the statistics of the New Zealand beekeeping industry prepared by the Department of Statistics.
10. The meeting noted a letter from the Waikato Branch concerning residential qualification of members of the NBA, and it was agreed that this be referred back to the Branch indicating that a change of rules would be required, and to ascertain whether they wished to proceed with it as a change of rules to the 1989 Annual General Meeting.
11. With respect to improved Branch Administration, it was agreed that this be discussed with Mr Roberts the following day. Mr Roberts subsequently advised that he would endeavour to have some proposal for Executive consideration for the December meeting.

MARKETING contd

4. The meeting noted the imposition of an anti-dumping duty on sugar, details of which were conveyed in the first issue of Buzzwords.

EDUCATION:

1. It was agreed that Mr Stan Young be appointed to the education committee in place of Mr Lorimer
2. It was agreed that material relative to the funding of beekeeping training received from trusts throughout New Zealand be referred to Mr Young.
3. The President indicated that no response had been received from Telford to the Trustees' proposals relative to the change of status of the bursary.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7.30 pm and reconvened at 8.43 am on Wednesday 14 September.

REPORTS:

4. Library Committee
The President reported on an acquisition that he had made for the library whilst in Australia and also indicated that several books had been lost as a result of the fire sustained by Mr Gaisford.

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:

1. The meeting noted that the profile document had been printed and requested a letter of appreciation be sent to Messrs Matheson and Wallingford for its production.

The meeting considered the proposed mailing list drafted by Messrs Matheson and Wallingford and several additions were proposed.

It was agreed that the profile document be made available free of charge if the acquisition was for an educational nature, and that a charge of \$5.00 inclusive of postage, be imposed where practical.

2. The meeting considered the draft contract with the Ministry for the editorship of the Newsletter "Buzzwords" and this was approved to be signed by the President.
3. There was no report from the Post Advisory Committee.
4. The meeting noted the suggestion from South Western Districts, Remit 7, relevant to "fill in" videos for television, and the Executive Secretary was requested to write to the Branch to ascertain their willingness to undertake the necessary research.
5. The meeting noted the costs supplied by the Editor of the "Beekeeper" relative to an increased print run for the NZ Beekeeper, having regard to any changes in funding for the Association.
6. The meeting noted that NZ Post was unable to assist in a special stamp issue to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the introduction of honey bees to New Zealand.

It was agreed that the Northland Branch be asked to ascertain what form of commemorative recognition could be established.

7. The meeting considered the Executive Secretary's paper relative to journal subscription for overseas subscribers for 1989, and the following recommendation was adopted:

The following overseas subscription rates should apply with effect from 1 January 1989:

	<u>AIRMAIL</u>	<u>SURFACE</u>
Australia & S.Pacific	US\$19	US\$16
N.America and Asia	US\$24	US\$16
S.America, Europe & Middle East	US\$28	US\$16

- EDUCATION:
4. It was noted that a meeting of the Certificate in Beekeeping Course Committee be held on Thursday 15th December, commencing at 10.00 a.m. and, if available, in the Board Room of the Pork Industry Board. Details to be arranged by Mr Nick Wallingford of Bay of Plenty Polytechnic.

INDUSTRY TRUSTS:

1. The Executive considered, in Committee, the requests for financial assistance from the Trust funds.
2. The meeting noted the financial reports for the Trusts for the year ending 31 December 1987.

BRANCH MATTERS:

1. The meeting was advised that the South Western Districts had not yet obtained legal advice relative to their change of name, but it was noted that they were currently adding (Southern North Island) after their name in their correspondence.

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ADVISORY: General discussion took place relative to the provision of funding for apiary inspection and the establishment of the register.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday and Wednesday 13th and 14th December, 1988.

CONCLUSION: The meeting concluded at 4.00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

DATE

DEC 88 MINUTES

NATIONAL BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND INC

Minutes of a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Beekeepers' Association of New Zealand Inc. held in the Board Room, 11th Floor, Dalmeir House, 114 The Terrace, Wellington, on Tuesday and Wednesday 13th and 14th December, 1988, commencing at 10.06 a. m. on the Tuesday.

PRESENT: Mr Allen McCaw, President, in the Chair
Messrs. K Herron, G J Martin, D. Ward,
G White, S Young

In attendance: Mr S C Goodman, Executive Secretary
Mr G M Reid, National Manager Apiculture, MAF

APOLOGIES: Apologies received and sustained from
Mr G M Reid, for his non-attendance on
the Tuesday.

MINUTES:

1. The Minutes of the Executive Meeting held 13/14 September 1988, having been circulated, were taken as read, and the Chairman was authorised to sign them as a true and correct record.
2. The In Committee Minutes of the meeting held 13/14 September 1988, were taken as read and the Chairman authorised to sign them as a true and correct record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. General discussion took place relevant to the Conference venue for 1990 and it was agreed that those members of the Executive interested in pursuing the matter should produce a report(s) for the next meeting of the Executive.
2. The President advised the meeting that comment relative to the import of honey bee semen had been made in Buzzwords, following media comment from Australia.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION:

1. It was noted that the matter of improved Branch administration was still with Mr Roberts to produce a discussion document.
2. Accounts paid for September, October and November 1988, being cheques nos. 000714, and 000610 - 000660, 547241-547246, totalling \$32691.98, were approved.
3. The meeting noted the Executive Secretary's financial statement on a cash flow basis to the 30 November, 1988.

4. The meeting considered the list of unpaid hive levies as at 6 December 1988 and it was noted that there had been a substantial improvement.
5. The meeting noted that an Agency Agreement had been entered into with the Farmers Mutual Group.
6. It was noted that the N.Z. Honey Producers Co-op had responded to the invitation to become associate members, and it was appreciated that other associations may not have met since the invitation had been extended.
7. The Executive Secretary reported that the only response to information concerning hobbist bee clubs had been received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.
8. The meeting reviewed its decision not to renew its membership of the NZ Food and Beverage Exporters Council, and the Executive saw no reason to change this decision.
9. The meeting reviewed the 1989 estimates.
10. The President indicated that the Planning Meeting at Flock House should take into consideration, as one of its topics, a total review of the Association's administration.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12.28 pm for lunch and re-convened at 1.00 pm

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION contd

11. Prior to lunch the President tabled draft amendments to the Hive Levy Act.

EDUCATION:

1. The meeting noted the media presentation by MAFQual relative to agricultural security.
2. It was noted that there was no report from Mr Young relative to the funding of beekeeper training and information received from various New Zealand Trusts.
3. It was noted that the Certificate in Beekeeping Course Committee would be meeting the following day and the President advised that a very comprehensive report had been received from Mr Wallingford.
4. The President reported that the Telford Advisory Committee had met on 17th October and he outlined to the meeting some of the changes being contemplated but with particular emphasis to the change from the Ministry of Agriculture

and Fisheries to the Education Ministry.

It was also reported that Mr Paul ,
Marshall had submitted his resignation
as Apicultural Manager at Telford,
effective from May 1989.

MARKETING:

1. The Executive Secretary reported that
the criteria for the award of grants
by the Agricultural and Marketing
Research and Development Trust would
be available early in 1989.

2. The Executive Secretary advised that
response had been received from only
four branches as to a crop guesstimate
for New Zealand.

During discussion on this topic it
was suggested to the Executive Secretary
that the market information questionnaire
be sent by Fax just before the end
of the month.

3. The meeting was made aware of the
topics discussed during the recent
Packers Association conference call,
general consensus being that crop
prospects related to hive conditions
would be for an average/or below crop.
Wholesale selling prices ranged from
1.30 to 1.60 for a 500g pottle.

4. The meeting was provided with a copy
of the response from the National
Honey Board (USA) and Mr Ward undertook
to pursue this matter.

5. The meeting noted the Honey Export
Statistics for the period to September
1988.

6. It was agreed that Messrs Herron and
Ward would co-operate to provide marketing
information for inclusion in Buzzwords.

7. The meeting was advised of some of
the information contained in the USDA
National Honey Market News (No.10).

8. The meeting noted information from
IHEO and the President undertook to
discuss with Messrs Peter Bray and
Steve Lyttle the compilation of New
Zealand information to be made available
on a regular basis to IHEO.

9. The meeting noted that the sugar dumping
case had been finalised and a tariff
determination issued on the 10th November.

10. The President referred to the establishment
of the Market Research Unit at Otago
University.

11. It was agreed that the Marketing Committee
give some consideration to additional
market research to be undertaken
by Massey University

PLANNING MEETING:

1. It was agreed that a Planning Meeting be held at Flock House from 13-16 March 1989, that the Executive would meet at 2.00 pm on the Monday, that visitors would arrive on the Monday so that the Planning Meeting could commence on the Tuesday, the visitors would depart on the morning of Thursday - i.e. the Planning Meeting would conclude on the evening of Wednesday, and the Executive would depart after lunch on the Thursday.

Participants:

The Executive
The Executive Secretary
Two Beekeeper Trustees
Two other members of the
Marketing Committee - Messrs
Peter Bray and Steve Lytle
Mr Derek Bettesworth (Queen
Breeders Association),
Mr David Warr (Pollination
Association),
Mr Nick Wallingford (Education),
Mr Mike Stuckey (Comb Honey),
Dr Mark Goodwin (Research),
Messrs Murray Reid and Ted
Roberts of the Ministry,
plus other MAF representatives
at MAF's discretion.

The Association would be responsible for accommodation costs for any other MAF representatives (as noted above), but not their travel costs. The Association would meet the accommodation and travel costs of the named visitors.

General discussion took place relevant to the theme of the Planning Meeting, it being the general consensus that a total review should be undertaken with the desirability of establishing another 5-year plan, but with particular emphasis on funding.

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS:

1. While it was noted that the Post Advisory Committee had not met, it was agreed that this matter be reviewed at the Planning Meeting.
2. Mr Young reported that South Western Districts had not met since the September Executive meeting, therefore comments relative to videos for television were not available.

3. The Executive Secretary was requested to write to the Northland Branch concerning the 150th anniversary of the introduction of honey bees to New Zealand.
4. Members indicated favourable comment in respect of the initial three issues of Buzzwords.

The President referred to a request from Mr Matheson relative to exchange of copies, and it was agreed that this be left to his discretion, either in relation to copies of Buzzwords or the NZ Beekeeper.

The Executive Secretary to prepare a financial review of the costs of Buzzwords for the March meeting.

5. It was noted that part distribution of the Industry Profile had been undertaken.
6. The meeting noted the circular from the N.Z. Book Publishers Association relative to copyright.
7. With respect to the production costs of the Beekeeper, it was noted that this was a matter for review pending finalisation of the Association/industry funding.
8. It was noted that a reprint of the recipes had been undertaken and it was agreed that the retail price of these be 10 cents inclusive of GST, and Mr White undertook to advise the two ladies handling promotional items. General discussion took place regarding the distribution of promotional material.
9. It was agreed that the Promotions Committee give some thought to a research project relevant to "health factors" in relation to honey.

INDUSTRY TRUSTS:

1. It was understood that the Trustees had not yet considered the applications forwarded from the September meeting.
2. It was agreed to recommend to the Trustees that the closing dates for applications be 31 August and 28 February and that, following concurrence from the Trustees, advice of this be contained in the Beekeeper and Buzzwords.
3. It was agreed that the Executive Secretary write to the new Kiwifruit Marketing Board to ascertain that they would be continuing with the Ruakura Apicultural Research Project discussed earlier with the Kiwifruit Authority.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 5.41 pm and reconvened at 8.36 a.m. the next day.

INDUSTRY TRUSTS contd.

4. The President undertook to respond to the enquiry from Mr Fred Bartrum concerning the biological control of wasps.

REPORTS:

1. Pesticides Board
The President reported on advices from Mr Ian Berry on the recent advertisement in the Orchardist.

It was noted that Mr Berry had been reappointed by the Minister for a further term of three years.
2. Federated Farmers
Mr White indicated no major developments with Federated Farmers and it was noted that a further meeting of affiliates was to be held on 16th December and also the topics to be considered at that meeting.
3. Library
The President reported the concern of the Librarian as to overdue books from one hirer.
4. The meeting noted advice from Mr Lorimer that the Advisory Committee had not met since the last meeting of the Executive.

BRANCH MATTERS:

1. Mr Young reported that the South Western Districts would be reviewing its name change at its Annual General Meeting in April/May.
2. The Executive Secretary reported that no further correspondence had been received from the Auckland/Waikato members relative to Branch membership.
3. General discussion took place concerning the distribution of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

1. The meeting noted the report from Philippa Gerard concerning her study on scolypopa australis.
2. Copies of a letter from Ernie Fuhr of North Peace Apiaries were made available to the Executive.

ADVISORY:

1. Mr Reid requested that comments received relative to Buzzwords be fed back to Messrs Matheson and Wallingford.

2. The President reviewed, for the benefit of Mr Reid, the proposals in respect of the Planning Meeting.

3. The meeting noted the report of the National Manager, Apiculture, and items included were :

Honeybee semen importation - W.Australia
American Foulbrood
Honey exports to Australia
Leaf Cutter bee exports

4. The meeting noted a letter from Agribusiness and Economics Research Unit of Lincoln College concerning the Association's database, and the President indicated that a similar letter had been received from the Honey Co-op.

5. The President reported on discussions with Dr Mike Goodwin relative to the Pest Destruction Council's programme of 1080 poisoning to eradicate opossum and indications were that alternatives were available and a submission was being prepared by Dr Goodwin. The President undertook to communicate this to the Council once it had been received.

6. The meeting noted that no further response had been received from the Department of Conservation concerning resource rental issues.

7. The meeting noted research funding requests and it was agreed that these be matters to be discussed at the March meeting.

The Executive Secretary in the meantime to advise the Trustees that Dr Denis Anderson would be resigning from the DSIR with effect from May 1989.

8. The President reported from the Minutes of the meeting of the Invermay Apicultural Research and Advisory Meeting of 21 September.

9. The meeting noted correspondence from Mr Russell Berry of Arataki Honey concerning publicity relevant to sugar feeding in orchards.

10. The President reported on correspondence from Federated Farmers mid-Canterbury concerning the pollination of white clover.

11. The meeting was made aware of the enquiry contained in the Queen Breeders Association Newsletter relative to ERP.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12 pm for lunch and reconvened at 12.40 pm

GENERAL:

1. Considerable discussion took place regarding the registration levy and a review of the amendments to the Hive Levy Act was undertaken, it being the general consensus that an Apiary Fee was more preferable to a Beekeeper Registration Fee.

The President advised that he would be meeting with Mr Tim Person of the MAF Legal Section to discuss the drafting of amendments to the Hive Levy Act to include an Apiary Fee for all beekeepers.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

2.00 p.m. Monday, March 13 1989, Flock House, Bulls.

CONCLUSION:

The meeting concluded at 4.08 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

DATE